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Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement # 55 Emergency Order: 62

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in King Salmon with an announcement for Egegik and update for Ugashik District fishermen. The time is 3:00 p.m. and the date is **Thursday**, **July 12**, **2012**.

In Egegik: Escapement for July 11, was 17,000, catch was 118,000. Through July 11 cumulative escapement is 1.14 million and cumulative catch is 4.5 million sockeye.

Commercial fishing will be permitted in the Egegik District with set gillnet gear from 6:15 a.m. until 2:15 p.m. Friday, July 13......a 8 hour period. Commercial fishing with drift gillnets will be permitted from 6:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon, Friday, July 13...... a 6 hour period.

In Ugashik: Escapement for July 11 was 111,000, catch was 119,000. Through July 11, cumulative escapement is 308,000 and cumulative catch is 2.0 million sockeye.

The Ugashik fleet will stand down for two tides after the opener on the evening tide tonight. It is the department's intent to allow some escapement, then to switch tides and have the next opener on the Saturday morning tide.

Fishermen in the Egegik and Ugashik Districts should stand by at 3:00 p.m. Friday, July 13 for the next possible announcement.

This has been the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in King Salmon.

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